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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The following reply is in response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed December 10, 2002, due for a response on January 10, 2003.

In the Requirement for Restriction, the Examiner requested election of one of the following groups:

- Group I. Claims 1-3 and 9 are drawn to an isolated polypeptide.
- Group II. Claims 4-8 are drawn to a polynucleotide, expression vehicle and host cell.
- Group III. Claim 10 is drawn to a method of preparing antibodies.

Group IV. Claim 11 is drawn to a method of purification.
Group V. Claims 12-13 are drawn to calibrators and controls.
Group VI. Claims 14-15 are drawn to a method of immuno-detection and a kit.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-3 and 9, drawn to an isolated polypeptide,
without traverse.

Fees

No fees are believed to be due with this filing. However, should this be in error, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account No. 11-1153 for any underpayment, or to credit any overpayments.

CONCLUSION

Examination on the merits thereafter is courteously requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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